STATE OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES

VEHICLE INDUSTRY NEWS

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Subject: Vehicle License Fee (VLF) Offset Ends October 1, 2003

Background

Revenue and Taxation Code Section 10754, which authorized the VLF offset, also provided for elimination of the VLF offset when there were insufficient monies in the General Fund. On June 20, 2003, the department was officially notified that there are insufficient monies in the General Fund to provide the offset.

Information

- Collect the full VLF and all other fees, as appropriate for original transactions and renewals due on or after October 1, 2003. Early payment—accepted by the department up to 60 days prior to the due date—will not avoid the full VLF.
- Vehicles with fees due **before** October 1, 2003, will continue to receive the VLF offset, even if the fees are paid after October 1, 2003.
- Registration fees must be paid on time to avoid a penalty. Penalties on fees due on or after October 1, 2003, will be based on the full VLF and all other fees, as appropriate.
 Penalties on fees due before October 1, 2003, will continue to be based on the offset VLF amount and all other fees, as appropriate.

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